

**THE RHODE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY
MEETING OF THE
DUNKIN DONUTS CENTER COMMITTEE
September 26, 2006**

A meeting of the Dunkin Donuts Center Committee of the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority (hereinafter referred to as “Authority”, the “CCA” or the “Board”) was held on September 26, 2006, pursuant to notice, at the Rhode Island Convention Center Boardroom, One Sabin Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Board members present were, Co-Chair Bernie Buonanno, Commissioners, David A. Duffy, Marianne Corr, Jeff Hirsh, Paul MacDonald, Jerry Massa and Jason Fowler

Also in attendance, Jim McCarvill, Betty Sullivan and Ken Mancuso, Convention Center Authority; Larry Lepore, SMG/DDC; Tim Muldoon, Deb Tuton, John McGinn and Julian Raveneau, SMG/RICC; Bruce Leach, Legal Counsel; Steve MacDonald, Ahlborg; Steve Duvel and Larry Bacher, Gilbane; Michael McMahan, RGB; Josh Nathanson, MND; Susan Johnson, Frank Champi and Michael Crawley, LGC&D and Eileen Smith, Recording Secretary.

Mr. Buonanno called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. and announced that the next meeting would be held on November 28, 2006 at 3:00 p.m.

Noting that the minutes of the August meeting had been distributed, Mr. Buonanno sought a motion to approve. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. MacDonald and seconded by Mr. Duffy it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes of the August meeting.

Mr. Buonanno asked Mr. Lepore to address the committee. Mr. Lepore reported on the financial condition of the Dunkin' Donuts Center. He noted that the loss from operations was less than projected. Mr. Lepore reported that the American Idol crowd and promoters were very pleased. He said that the building is cleaner than it has been in years. Mr. Buonanno asked if there were any issues with the construction. Mr. Lepore responded that a portion of the lobby was blocked off which caused some congestion. Mr. Lepore informed the committee that the Hope High School interns under supervision of NETECH have been filming the Providence Bruins exhibition games in preparation for the opening home game. He said that the video screens would arrive next week. Mr. Lepore also noted that some interscholastic hockey games would be played at the Dunk.

Mr. McCarvill reported that Ms. Bennett was unable to attend the committee meeting because she was meeting with the Arts Council. He said that there had been some talented submissions. Mr. Buonanno asked why the Authority does not get to pick the art. Mr.

McCarvill informed Mr. Buonanno that the way the law is written, a committee is chosen from the artistic community with input from the Authority to make the final decision. Mr. Duffy asked how many of the artists were from Rhode Island. Mr. McCarvill responded that there were four. Mr. MacDonald asked when the art would be installed. Mr. Duvel said that it would go in last. Mr. MacDonald wanted to know why we would move ahead with it now. Mr. McCarvill answered that the art would need to be designed for a specific space.

Mr. McCarvill thanked Steve Duvel for a great job getting the building ready for the September 20th walk through.

Mr. Duvel addressed the committee and stated that they had finished all the work that had been planned for the summer. He noted that testing of the chillers would be done next week and was confident that there would be ice for the P Bruins game. Mr. Duvel thanked Mr. Lepore for all his support.

Mr. Duffy asked if the Zamboni had been returned to Cranston. Mr. Lepore answered that Cranston has their's back and that a new motor was installed in ours.

Mr. Buonanno asked if there was any other business. Hearing none he sought a motion to adjourn. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Massa and seconded by Mr. Hirsh it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn at 3:20 p.m.